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SUBJECT: ITU: DEPUTY SYG ON CHINESE VIEWS ON WARC 79  
AND OTHER WARC MATTERS

1. ON MAY 3, US REP TO ITU ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL PHILLIPS AND TELATT DISCUSSED SEVERAL ISSUES CONCERNING 1979 WARC WITH ITU DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL BUTLER. HIS COMMENTS, AMPLIFIED IN TELEPHONE CONVERSATION WITH TELATT ON MAY 5, WERE ALONG FOLLOWING LINES:

2. CHINESE CONCERNS:

A. THEY WANT TO KNOW WHAT OTHERS ARE DOING.  
B. THEY WILL GENERALLY NOT MEET BILATERALLY WITH OTHER PARTICIPANTS BUT PREFER TO MEET ON SIDELINES OF OTHER CONFERENCES - E.G. AERO-WARC, ADMIN COUNCIL AND THE LIKE.

C. MAJOR CONCERN IS THAT FOR PAST 25 YEARS, CPR HAS BEEN USING "TENS OF THOUSANDS" OF FREQUENCIES WHICH HAVE BEEN UNREGISTERED WITH ITU'S INTERNATIONAL FREQUENCY REGISTRATION BOARD. IN SOME CASES THESE CPR FREQUENCIES

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INTERFERE WITH FREQUENCIES REGISTERED BY OTHER COUNTRIES. ITU PRINCIPLE RE INTERFERENCE IS THAT COUNTRY WITH EARLIER "PROTECTION DATE" GETS PRIORITY OVER COUNTRY WHICH LATER CLAIMS USE AND LATTER MUST WORK OUT ARRANGEMENT WITH FORMER WHICH IS SATISFACTORY TO IT. SINCE CHINA WAS EXCLUDED FROM PARTICIPATION IN ITU FROM 1951 TO 1972, GREAT BULK OF FREQUENCIES USED BY IT ARE UN-

REGISTERED, EVEN THOUGH THEY MAY BE REGISTERED BY COUNTRIES WHO OBTAINED REGISTRATION WELL AFTER CHINESE BEGAN USING. THUS MAJOR PROBLEM IS HOW TO REGISTER CHINESE FREQUENCIES AND WHAT PROTECTION DATE TO GIVE THEM.

3. WARC 79. BUTLER IS INCREASINGLY CONCERNED THAT CONFERENCE WILL BE UNABLE TO COMPLETE ITS WORK IN TEN WEEKS ALLOTTED FOR IT. HE BELIEVES IN FACT THAT FIRST EIGHT WEEKS OF WARC COULD EASILY AND PROFITABLY BE SPENT SOLELY ON NEGOTIATING ARTICLE 5 PROCEDURES AND FREQUENCY TABLE. ACCORDINGLY, BUTLER SUPPORTS UK PROPOSAL TO TAKE SUBJECT OF MOBILE SERVICES (EXCEPT AS RELATING TO ARTICLE 5) OFF WARC 79 AGENDA AND HOLD SEPARATE CONFERENCE ON THIS MATTER IN 1982. HE OPPOSES LENGTHENING WARC 79 BY TWO OR THREE WEEKS AND BELIEVES THAT ONLY BY REDUCING AGENDA (WHICH IS OBJECT OF UK PROPOSAL) CAN CONFERENCE BE A SUCCESS. VANDEN HEUVEL

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